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LOCAL | CRIME

Fliers warn of alleged assault

VP for Student Affairs ordered material to be posted on campus

By Katie Anderson
Staff Reporter

Dan Nadler, vice president for Student Affairs, authorized University Police Chief Adam Due to post fliers Friday to alert the campus about an alleged assault that happened Thursday in Charleston.

“I instructed Chief Due to post fliers throughout our campus and to list the information on the UPD web page as a precautionary measure,” Nadler said.

No EIU Emergency Notification e-mails were sent out.

“E-mail alerts would be sent if an incident occurred on-campus, adjacent to our campus or in an area heavily populated by our students, faculty and staff,” Nadler said.

The EIU Alert text messages were not sent out because the incident was not deemed a life-threatening situa-

tion, Nadler said.

The flier said a female was allegedly physically assaulted in the 900 block of 17th Street at about 2:45 p.m. The suspect tried to force the woman into a maroon or burgundy “old-style” van with a knife. The fliers said the suspect in the alleged crime is a black male, about 40 years old and 6 feet, 2 inches tall.

The suspect had short hair with “possible gray near his sideburns” and some facial hair. The flier said the interior of the van was gray and the second row seat was removed, and one of the wheels on the passenger side of the vehicle “seemed different.”

Due called UPD officer Robert Odgen in around 6 p.m. Friday to post the fliers.

“We posted (the fliers) on all of the residence halls, and as many bulletin boards as we could,” Ogden said.

Anyone with information about the crime is urged to call the Coles County non-emergency number, at 345-0060.

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CAMPUS | STUDENT GOVERNMENT

Bulgar loses bid

IBHE conference held at University of Illinois this weekend

By Rick Kambic
Student Government Reporter

CHAMPAIGN — Levi Bulgar lost his bid to become vice chairman of the Illinois Board of Higher Education Student Advisory Committee in Champaign this weekend.

The incumbent, Malachi Dean from Richard Daley College, was criticized for his tardiness and absences, but Bulgar, Eastern’s student executive vice president, lost his bid to Charlie Mehl from Moraine Valley Community College.

Bulgar said the delegates who were undecided gave their votes to Mehl because he spoke before Bulgar when answering the attendance question, which was geared toward Dean.

Mehl had 10 votes, Bulgar received five votes and Dean had four votes. Bulgar said he’s curious how 19 votes were cast when the original delegate count was 17.

Bulgar told delegates he planned on accomplishing set goals and exposing the advisory committee to different school. He said the group can expand and grow stronger with more direction.

“I’ve seen the way Levi has contributed to individual committee meetings, and I’m confident in how he could organize the executive board,” said Matt DeRosa, IBHE student board member.

During the University committee meeting, Bulgar talked with DeRosa



RICK KAMBIC | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS
Levi Bulgar emphasizes the use of reusable water-jugs in an attempt to reduce the amount of waste going to landfills during the Illinois Board of Higher Education-Student Advisory Committee meeting on Saturday in Champaign.

about his chances to win chairman of the board. Bulgar said the talk convinced him to run for vice chair. Bulgar discussed Eastern’s new text-messaging alert system and recycling programs with delegates during committee meetings.

“A lot of the green discussions have come from Levi as to how Eastern reformatted their campus to be more energy-efficient,” DeRosa said.

Bulgar emphasized getting reusable water jugs for students on college campuses so that aluminum cans and plastic bottles do not pack landfills.

“Universities with successful recycling programs make money,” Bulgar said. “They’re not making millions upon millions of dollars, but they’re breaking even – and a lot of little expenses eventually build up.”

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CAMPUS | KIDS WEEKEND



JOHN BAILEY | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Sophomore communications studies major Krystyn Katsibubas helps her brother play “Battleship” during Kids Weekend on Friday’s event in the basement of Andrews Hall.

NEW KIDS ON THE BLOCK

Eastern students bring younger siblings to visit

By Barbara Harrington
University Reporter

Emily Podnar loves Eastern.

Emily, 5, came from Oswego to visit her aunt Danielle Podnar, a sophomore special education major, to celebrate Kid’s Weekend.

Danielle invited her niece and sister, Dayna Podnar, to come to Eastern for Kid’s Weekend.

Dayna said this is only her third time visiting Eastern but said she is sure it will not be her last.

“Emily said when she grows up she wants to come to this school too because it’s cool,” Dayna said. “She really loves it here.”

Kid’s Weekend, sponsored by the Residence Hall Association, took place Friday through Sunday.

The weekend kicked off with the showing of “Bee Movie” in Buzzard Auditorium on Friday night.

Jenny Kaplan, chair of RHA’s

programming committee, said RHA started preparing for Kid’s Weekend in September. She said the theme for this year was “Traveling Through Time.”

The theme was chosen because it is gender-neutral and allowed residence halls to be creative when coming up with sub-themes, Kaplan said.

Each residence hall chose a different time period to develop their activities around, such as “The Renaissance” or “The Age of Exploration.”

Students and their families traveled to each residence hall for 45 minutes each on Saturday to participate in the themed activities, such as learning how to disco, building explorer hats and going on a treasure hunt. The halls offered games, coloring activities and crafts.

Dayna said she was impressed by the events.

“I didn’t know that colleges did this,” she said. “It’s very interesting, and Emily has been really excited about it since Danielle told me about it.”

Students’ families were able to stay with them in residence halls during the weekend.

Dayna and Emily stayed with Danielle in Pemberton Hall on Friday and Saturday night.

“It was fine, but hot,” Dayna said. “Emily is excited because she already knows her way around. Of course, I didn’t know where the bathroom was, but Emily said, ‘I know where it is; I’ll show you, Mom.’”

Caitlin Dowling, a freshman biology major, spent the weekend with her brother, Nate Gandy, 6.

Dowling said she thought inviting her little brother to Eastern for the weekend would make them closer.

“I thought it would be fun hanging out, just the two of us,” Dowling said. “He likes getting to see where I live.”

Nate said he enjoyed exploring Eastern’s campus and participating in the coloring activities.

“I just like having all of these adventures,” he said.

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CAMPUS | STUDENT GOVERNMENT

Murray hired on temporary basis

However, no official liaison position created

By Rick Kambic
Student Government Reporter

Scott Murray is a student worker.

“I would not define or characterize Scott’s position with Student Government as a ‘liaison’ or ‘paid liaison’ position,” said Ceci Brinker, adviser to Student Government. “I would define Scott’s hiring status as simply a student hired by Student Government at this time.”

But a member of the Student Senate wants the process to be redone.

Student senate member Eric Hiltner said he will meet with Student

Senate Speaker Megan Ogulnick today and ask her to restart the process to make Murray a paid member of the organization.

“I will approach Megan on Monday and ask her to rewrite the bill, if that’s even possible at this point,” Hiltner said. “I’ll sit there and type the thing up with her. She has the final say on what goes in the agenda, so we could work to an agreement.”

Even though Brinker said Murray is not necessarily a member of Student Government but is a student worker hired on a temporary basis, Hiltner wants to make Murray a liaison.

Hiltner said Murray produces high-quality work and deserves to be compensated for his skill-based

work, but the process must coincide with organizational protocols.

“We’d have to not hire him as the marketing director because that position doesn’t exist and was never created,” Hiltner said. “But I don’t know how we can rewrite an approve bill or make it nullified.”

Hiltner referred to Article Two, section 11 of the senate bylaws.

“Liaison Positions: The Speaker has the power to create liaison positions with the approval of the Senate,” the bylaws read.

The only other two ex-officio positions listed in that section are the director of public relations and the director of information technology.

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MONDAY



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TUESDAY



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ENTERTAINMENT | A DAILY LOOK

Singer Brown denies relationship with Rihanna

The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Rihanna and Chris Brown both walked the orange carpet at the Kids' Choice Awards. Separately.

"We're not in a relationship or anything," Brown told The Associated Press before Saturday's slime-filled ceremony.

Rumors have been swirling for weeks the R&B singers are dating, but the 18-year-old Brown was quick to squash such gossip, insisting he was single and Rihanna, 20, was just a friend.

'21' cashes in during opening weekend

LOS ANGELES — Movie-goers laid their money down on "21," a gambling romp that was the weekend's box-office high roller with a \$23.7 million debut, according to studio estimates Sunday.

Starring Kevin Spacey, Kate Bosworth and Jim Sturgess as math geniuses who make a killing at Vegas' blackjack tables, Sony's "21" bumped off "Dr. Seuss' Horton Hears a Who!," which had been No. 1 the previous two weekends.

"Horton Hears a Who," distrib-

uted by 20th Century Fox, slipped to second place with \$17.4 million, raising its total to \$117.3 million. It is the first movie this year to pass the \$100 million mark.

Despite solid holdover crowds for "Horton," overall business continued to dip. The top 12 movies took in \$90 million, down 23 percent from last year at this time.

Cambodian 'Killing Fields' survivor Pran dies Sunday

NEW YORK — Dith Pran, the Cambodian-born journalist whose harrowing tale of enslavement and eventual escape from that country's murderous Khmer Rouge revolutionaries in 1979 became the subject of the award-winning film "The Killing Fields," died Sunday. He was 65.

Dith died at a New Jersey hospital Sunday morning of pancreatic cancer, according to Sydney Schanberg, his former colleague at *The New York Times*. Dith had been diagnosed almost three months ago.

Dith was working as an interpreter and assistant for Schanberg in Phnom Penh, the Cambodian capital, when the Vietnam War reached its chaotic end in April 1975.

Schanberg helped Dith's family

get out but was forced to leave his friend behind after the capital fell; they were not reunited until Dith escaped four and a half years later. Eventually, Dith resettled in the United States and went to work as a photographer for the Times.

It was Dith himself who coined the term "killing fields" for the horrifying clusters of corpses and skeletal remains of victims he encountered on his desperate journey to freedom.

Rapper to perform at bars manager was scammed at

MILFORD, Mich. — Tone Loc plans to play shows at two bars in the Detroit area that were swindled by a man posing as the rapper's manager.

Tone Loc will play April 11 at the Red Dog Saloon in Milford and April 12 at Bumpers in Westland, The Detroit Free Press reports.

Red Dog owner Patty McMillan gave about \$400 last summer to a man posing as Tone Loc's manager who promised his client would perform at her bar.

Authorities say the man also scammed Bumpers out of \$1,000.

The scam artist hasn't been caught.

PHOTO OF THE DAY

Riding solo



JOHN BAILEY | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Junior psychology major Che Frederick practices his unicycle tricks outside Buzzard Hall on March 22.

WHAT THE ... | WEIRD, UNEXPECTED, BIZARRE NEWS

Students borrow parts of honor code from another school's code

The Associated Press

SAN ANTONIO — The wording in a draft of an honor code by students at the University of Texas at San Antonio appears to match another school's code — without proper attribution.

Student Akshay Thusu, who is in charge of the honor code project, said that when he took over the project a month ago he inherited a draft by earlier project participants, including a group of students who attended a conference five years ago put on by The Center for Academic Integrity at Clemson.

Materials from the conference, are probably why parts of the Texas draft match word-for-word the on-line version of Brigham Young University.

Drunk man wakes up in trash truck

MUNCIE, Ind. — William M. Bowen woke up after a night of drinking with friends and realized he was inside a commercial trash-collection truck full of waste.

The driver had just emptied a commercial trash bin into his truck and was about to activate its compactor when he heard Bowen screaming.

"He looked up and this gentleman was standing out the top of our truck," said Larry Green, market safety supervisor for the Rumpke waste disposal company.

Bowen told police he had been drinking with buddies at a Muncie bar until about 3 a.m. Thursday, but didn't recall how he ended up inside the trash bin and he wouldn't tell police who his drinking pals were.

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JULIETTE BEAULIEU | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Runners plunge forward as the Run for Glory race begins. In spite of chilly temperatures, more than 150 runners and walkers participated.

RUNNING FOR GLORY

Race/walk in honor of Glorivette Alegria draws more than 150

By Juliette Beaulieu
Staff Reporter

Windy weather and a soggy track did not keep Glorivette Alegria's friends and family from running in her memory.

Sunday marked the second annual Run for Glory, a race/walk in memory of Alegria, an Eastern student and marathon runner who died on March 17, 2006. Nearly 150 people registered, and Ivette Alegria-

Gorman, Alegria's mother, said others were running but not registered.

Many of the participants were members of the Alpha Gamma Delta sorority to which Alegria belonged.

Proceeds from the Run for Glory will be given to the EIU Glorivette Alegria Scholarship Fund.

"It touches us greatly how many people showed up," said Tom Gorman, Alegria's stepfather.

A scholarship has also been set up at Waubonsie Valley High School in Aurora, where Alegria attended and ran track.

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JULIETTE BEAULIEU | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

A shirt is worn in memory of Eastern student Glorivette Alegria, a family and consumer sciences major who died in 2006.



JULIETTE BEAULIEU | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Cynthia Hernandez, a friend of Glorivette Alegria's family, and Karina Alegria, a cousin of Glorivette Alegria, both of Aurora, rest after running in the race. "It was a nice run. A little muddy, but for a good cause," Hernandez said.



JULIETTE BEAULIEU | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Runners take off at the beginning of the Run for Glory on the Panther Trail on Sunday. Participants braved chilly weather and a muddy track to run.



JULIETTE BEAULIEU | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Nancy Gorman, Glorivette Alegria's younger sister, is congratulated by her mom after finishing in the second Run for Glory on Sunday.

CAMPUS BRIEFS

2008 Shantytown scheduled for April

Habitat for Humanity is sponsoring the 2008 Shantytown at 5 p.m. on April 11 in the north quad. The event, intended to increase awareness of inadequate housing and homelessness, will raise funds for Eastern's Habitat for Humanity to build the "House that EIU built II" for a family in Coles County.

Contact Mitch Canada at (217) 413-7078 or Paula Cler at (217) 621-0275 for more information.

Hearing aid seminar sessions to be held

The Department of Communication Disorders and Sciences is offering sessions for individuals who are considering hearing aids or for those who already own hearing aids and would like to maximize the benefits.

The sessions are held from 11 a.m. to noon on April 4, 11, 18 and 25 on the second floor of Eastern's Human Services Center. The cost is \$20. Call 581-2712 for more information.

Opt to return your textbooks early

Students can return textbooks to Textbook Rental any time during the semester. The final deadline to return Spring 2008 textbooks is 3 p.m. on May 2.

Visit <http://www.eiu.edu/~textbks/> for more information.

April 8 Lecture at Tarble Arts Center canceled

The Tarble Arts Center has canceled a lecture by artist Bill Smith. The lecture was scheduled to take place April 8 at Tarble but was canceled at the artist's request.

There are no plans to reschedule the event.

Deadline for cap and gown orders today

This is the last day for graduating seniors to order caps and gowns for spring commencement exercises.

All orders need to be made by 11:59 p.m. today.

—Compiled by News Editor Nora Maberry

CORRECTION

On page 3 of The Daily Eastern News, the time for the EIU Dancers performance was misidentified. The correct time was 7:30 p.m. on Friday.

The DEN regrets the error.

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LOOKING AT HUNGER

Baylor U. — I saw something the other day that broke me. It was a photo of a skeleton. Except it wasn't a skeleton — it was a living child with a thin coat of brown skin painted over his brittle bones.

With twigs for legs and toothpicks for arms, this starving little boy had no muscles or tissue. Too weak to lift up his head, the boy stared into space with his lifeless, empty eyes. I imagined him lying there, probably not even knowing what death was, but wishing for it anyway.

Whenever I see something gory or disturbing in a movie, I shield my eyes because it's too much for me to handle. But hunger isn't fiction. It's a reality, and we have to look.

It's our moral duty to acknowledge this devastating truth that plagues 14 percent of the world's population. That's 840 million chronically hungry people, and 24,000 of them die each day.

In God's eyes, we're not African and we're not American. We're not fat or skinny, educated or uneducated, wealthy or poor. But to the Creator, we are his children. We have to look.

To not look is to be decidedly ignorant of an avoidable malady taking place on our watch. Even with our busy schedules, there are things we can do to help. Try making OneClickOneMeal.com, or a similar Web site, your home page. These sites donate all their advertising revenues to hunger charities, and the more hits they get, the more revenues they receive.

If you have money, try making monthly donations or sponsoring a child. Most importantly, try increasing your knowledge about hunger. Learn all you can so you can inform people and spark an interest in others with what you know.

Ashley Killough
The Lariat

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Drawn from the news | Dylan Polk



STAFF EDITORIAL

What's in a name, anyway?

The Medill School of Journalism at Northwestern University has been one of the nation's most prestigious journalism schools for 87 years.

Joseph Medill was one of the owners of the *Chicago Tribune* and was also its managing editor. He was elected mayor of Chicago in 1871 and helped rebuild the city after the Great Chicago Fire.

For at least 86 of those 87 years, the school has held a candle to Joseph Medill's name, honoring his great contributions to journalism year in and year out.

Now, that tradition may be trampled because the school is considering changing its name.

Seven names have been proposed, and only three continue to carry the word "journalism" in the name.

The idea of a name change is not well-supported, especially given the dean of the journalism department's latest setback.

The whole mess started when Medill Dean John Lavine used anonymous sources in a newsletter sent out to NU alumni last spring.

It's been a downward spiral since, capped with a hasty attempt to include the words "marketing" and "integrated marketing communications" into a name that has honored Medill for nearly a century.

Lavine, who became dean at Medill in 2005, has been working to implement a marketing program into the school of journalism. He used anonymous quotes in the newsletter from students who had allegedly taken one of the new marketing classes.

The students Lavine quoted praised the course. One said, "I sure felt good about this class. It's one of the best I've taken."

So one of Medill's own journalism students took it upon himself to find the students Lavine had quoted. NU senior David Spett found and questioned all 29 students who had taken the course Lavine mentioned in the newsletter to find out who said the quotes.

Not one student could claim ownership of any of the quotes he used.

Naturally, Lavine was accused of fabricating the quotes of anonymous sources. Anonymous sources, like journalism students are taught, should be used as sparingly as possible. In this case, anonymous sources were completely unnecessary.

Could it be an early example of Lavine's "integrated marketing communications?"

A committee unanimously decided last month that Lavine would not be charged for the anonymous quotes and that he could not be expected to keep a log of information for a whole year.

CONTINUE THE DEBATE



ONLINE

Visit DENnews.com to read Kristy Mellendorf's blog, "Dressing for an interview."



OUR VIEW

• **Situation:** Northwestern University will decide in April on possibly changing the name of the Medill School of Journalism.

• **Stance:** The school has upheld its reputation for 87 years. Changing the name now will tarnish the status of the journalism school.

Lavine was able to wash his hands of the mess, albeit with a less credible reputation in the world of journalism.

He instead turned everyone's attention to changing the name of the journalism school. A name-change committee, which was appointed by Lavine back in October, is to give its decision about what to change the journalism school's name to by April.

Some of the names in consideration are: The Medill School of Media Arts and Sciences, The Medill School of Audience and Consumer Information, and The Medill School of Information and Influence.

Where's the word "journalism?"

The dean of The Medill School of Journalism seems to have lost sight of what journalism is

really about. And marketing is not what it's about.

Lavine has only been dean of Medill for three years, and he's already vying for a

name change.

The school has been ranked one of the nation's top journalism schools, right up there with schools like Columbia University and University of Maryland. All these years, it has maintained its prestigious status by simply being the Medill School of Journalism.

And now, changing the name to include the words "marketing" or "media arts and sciences" will tear down the clout that the Medill School of Journalism has for so long upheld.

Dropping the word "journalism" altogether is losing sight of what journalism actually is. It's not marketing to customers. Journalism students should not be trained just to market. That's what marketing students do.

Journalism students are taught to tell stories as objectively as possible — something that will be difficult to do if a marketing slant is attached.

When we pick up a newspaper, we expect to read a news story free of personal agendas. What, then, will future journalists eradicate from their stories in order to file in their marketing and advertising training?

Overall, the Medill School of Journalism is taking a hit.

The Medill School of Information and Influence will probably not have future journalism students and graduate students clawing for acceptance at the once exalted school of journalism.

"Although it is not 100 percent proven, I would like to make the case that attire and body language also have something to do with the interview process."

-Kristy Mellendorf



KRISTIN MENAS

'Remember the ladies'

Abigail Adams, one of many influential women of our nation's history, wrote a letter to her husband, Congressman John Adams, in 1776, asking him to "remember the ladies," as he formed our new nation.

She wrote in her letter, "I desire you would remember the ladies, and be more generous and favourable to them than your ancestors. Do not put such unlimited power into the hands of the Husband."

John Adams did not take the letter seriously and found it rather "saucy." What he did not realize was that his "saucy" wife would become one of the first of many American women to be recognized for her efforts to reach gender equality.

Abigail's brave visions of equal freedom, liberties and rights were monumental. She was one of the first women to assert her desire for women's rights.

As the end of March quickly arrives, I wonder if people even know the importance of this month.

In 1987, the entire month of March was dedicated to acknowledging the impact women have had on national history.

We shouldn't reserve just one month out of the year to teach people about how women have played a role in history. Instead, we, as students, should already grow up in the school system with women's history prominent in our history books, and not just a small section of a chapter.

Historically, important women, like Abigail, are going unacknowledged for their efforts to effect our nation. Their names show up in history textbooks, but they tend to be either small blurbs or discussed in a small section titled, "Women's History."

A history book titled "A History of World Societies," which is used in some history courses at Eastern Illinois University, only has 133 of 1143 pages dedicated to women's history.

The history book titled "American Odyssey: The United States in the 20th century" that is being used for some high school U.S. history courses has only 103 of 930 pages dedicated to women's history.

This discovery wasn't shocking because looking back on my previous experience with history courses, I don't recall an emphasis on the women who helped mold our history.

I'm not asking for every history book to be re-written, but instead I wish more professors would bring in new texts that also take a look at women and their contributions to our history. It is important to recognize role women played in our society, just as they continue to do so today.

The major problem is that we have a history separated by gender. History is something that bonds a nation. Everyone has common ground because of their nation's history. If we continue to separate women's history from our nation's history, we will continue to build a gap between the sexes.

As the end of March and Women's History Month is upon us, I ask: when will we write women into our history?

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STATE, NATION AND WORLD | TOP NEWS

STATE
Remains found in Iraq of missing soldier identified

The Associated Press

ALTON — The Army Corps of Engineers will activate hydro-acoustic monitors in the next few weeks to monitor fish at the Melvin Price Locks and Dam in Alton — part of a project to study how locks and dams might adversely affect migrating fish along the Mississippi River.

Today, nearly 40 dams cross the Mississippi from Cairo — at the southern tip of Illinois — to the source of the river in Minnesota. Strong evidence has arisen over the years that dams and locks can seriously disrupt the migration of many species.

The Price locks and dam will be a key focus of the study, which is expected to lead to proposals on how to help restore old fish migration patterns.

Among the 34 species researchers will study are blue catfish, freshwater drum, channel catfish and varieties of carp, buffalo and sturgeon.

Researchers will try to determine how many of the fish manage to get through when boats pass through Price locks, and they will use that information to devise possible solutions.

The pilot project at the Price dam will help determine if there is a way to operate the locks in a way to help restore fish migration patterns.

A solution involving locks would be cheaper than constructing channels that allow fish to pass through or around locks and dams.

NATION
Remains found in Iraq of missing soldier identified

The Associated Press

BATAVIA, Ohio — The father of a soldier listed as missing-captured in Iraq since 2004 said Sunday that the military had informed him that his son's remains had been found.

Keith Maupin said an Army general told him DNA testing had identified the remains of his son, Sgt. Keith Matthew Maupin, or "Matt" as he was commonly known.

He said the Army didn't say how or where in Iraq his son's remains were discovered, only that officials found a shirt similar to the one his son was wearing at the time of his disappearance.

"My heart sinks, but I know they can't hurt him anymore," Maupin said, speaking in the soldier's hometown near suburban Cincinnati.

The Army is continuing its investigation.

Matt Maupin was a 20-year-old private first class when he was captured April 9, 2004, after his fuel convoy, part of the Bartonville, Ill.-based 724th Transportation Company, was ambushed west of Baghdad.

Two U.S. soldiers remain missing in action in Iraq.

Ahmed Qusai al-Taayie, a 41-year-old Iraqi-born reserve soldier from Ann Arbor, Mich., was abducted while visiting his Iraqi wife on Oct. 23, 2006, in Baghdad. Capt. Michael Speicher, a Navy pilot, has been missing since the 1991 Persian Gulf War.

WORLD
Shiite cleric pulls fighters off streets; Iraq thankful

The Associated Press

BAGHDAD — In a possible turning point in the recent upsurge in violence, Muqtada al-Sadr ordered his Shiite militiamen off the streets Sunday but called on the government to stop its raids against his followers.

The government welcomed the move, which followed intense negotiations by Shiite officials, including two lawmakers who reportedly traveled to Iran to ask religious authorities there to intervene.

Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki, whose offensive that began Tuesday in the oil-rich southern city in Basra sparked the crisis, called al-Sadr's statement "a step in the right direction."

But fighting continued in the Basra area after the announcement. Seven people also were killed when a mortar struck a residential district in Baghdad's Karradah district.

A U.S. airstrike killed 25 suspected militants after American ground forces came under heavy fire during a combat patrol in predominantly Shiite eastern Baghdad, where the fiercest clashes in the capital have occurred. The nine-point statement by the anti-American cleric, which was broadcast through Shiite mosques in Baghdad and across the south, called for an end to the "armed presence" in Basra and other cities and urged followers "to cooperate with the government to achieve security."

Murray
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"If (the marketing director position) was created, then its responsibilities would have to be clearly stated in the bylaws," Hiltner said. "It sounds, to me, like Scott Murray is doing the job of the director of public relations."

"Director of Public Relations: Shall be a member of the Student Committee on Student Relations," the bylaws read. "The Director of Public Relations shall be responsible for working with all committees on graphic designs and publicity projects."

Brinker said past attempts to find students to work the position for free have not been successful.

"Contrary to previous Student Government views and concerns expressed by (its) leaders on this issue, previous attempts to 'recruit' or 'appoint' a volunteer student as Public Relations Director within Student Government, have been futile through the years," Brinker said. "The end result has been inconsistent, non-existent or low quality Student Government marketing materials."

Hiltner said he would be content with making Murray a paid liaison.

"I have no problem with the hiring of Scott Murray, but I just want it done right," Hiltner said. "If Scott said he thought he was going to get paid from the get go, then how come Megan Ogulnick waited until there's six weeks until schools over before she decides to pay him?"

The bylaws do not provide specific protocol for hiring student workers, Brinker said, but Ogulnick did not intentionally vio-

ERIC HILTNER | STUDENT SENATE MEMBER ON SELECTION OF SCOTT MURRAY

"I have no problem with the hiring of Scott Murray, but I just want it done right."

late the bylaws.

"I can agree with it not being intentional because of the typical 'yes men' members passing the bill along without looking into it, but it is a clear violation (of the bylaws) because the position doesn't exist," Hiltner said.

Other senators declined comment on Murray's situation, however, Hiltner said many of the senate members are reserve because, "it's a real gray and muddy situation."

"I want to be specific about this, I'm not going after Megan or Scott or Ceci," Hiltner said. "I just want things done right and if I don't do something correctly, I would want someone to come up to me and tell me to fix it."

Ogulnick, Hiltner and Brinker all agree that the graphic work is needed to aid the organization's abilities to conduct events.

"I applauded and advised Megan to 'hire' an Eastern student with professional skills and expertise to handle the Student Government marketing on a consistent basis," Brinker said. "However, I should have given more thought and discussion to how to propose, proceed and pay someone to fill the position."

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Kids
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On Saturday night Ken Schultz, "The Flying Fool," performed his comedy and juggling routine in the University Ballroom at the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

Kid's Weekend ended Sunday with breakfast in the 7th Street Underground and a scavenger hunt on the Library Quad.

Kaplan said RHA considers Kid's Weekend one of their most important events each year. She said this year about 20 residents

JENNY KAPLAN | KID'S WEEKEND COORDINATOR ON PURPOSE OF EVENT

"It's just really nice for residents because you're away from your family. If you have younger siblings, cousins, nieces, nephews, they can come and spend the weekend in your dorm and have fun with you."

signed up.

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and spend the weekend in your dorm and have fun with you."

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Bid
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Also at the meeting, Mehl talked about a need for construction projects to use recycled material in building the structures.

He also referred to the geothermal system that a building Moraine Valley Community College had installed and how drastically less electricity is needed to heat and cool the facility.

"It's a little more expensive and the administration knows that, but that money comes back several times over again in the long run," Mehl

said.

State funding was a popular topic of discussion during the meeting.

Hope Whitten from the College of DuPage stressed a need for lobbying and using bond referendums if the state does not provide money.

"Sometimes we don't realize the power of our voice and it will take the student voice at a national level to get action," said Anthony Henderson from DePaul. "Hope's right, we should utilize every level of government when speaking out."

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CAMPUS | ACADEMICS

Students' research rewarded

Barry M. Goldwater scholarship among awards at ScienceFest

By Joshua Van Dyke
Staff Reporter

ScienceFest chairman John Stimac described ScienceFest as a celebration of graduate and undergraduate research.

The event, held Friday in the University Ballroom of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union, provided students of various disciplines the chance to interact and receive awards for their work.

Junior chemistry major Rebecca Grove received the biggest award of the day, the Barry M. Goldwater scholarship.

The award is given to up to 300 juniors and seniors nationwide each academic year.

Past recipients include students from Princeton University, Harvard University and Duke University.

Grove is the first Eastern student to earn the scholarship in its 22-year history.

"I was just speechless, completely speechless," Grove said.

Grove received the scholarship for her research on molecular bonding in crystal structures.

The scholarship will cover the cost of tuition, fees, books, and room and board for up to a total of \$7,500.

Twenty-seven students – 12 graduate students and 15 undergraduate students – won awards for their research.

Research topics ranged from the ancestry of Illinois squirrels to the effect of negative presidential campaign ads on voter behavior.

Research information was presented on display posters.

A panel discussion dealing with the theme of land environmentalism was also held.

Panelists discussed what they think is the largest environmental

issue and what they think the prognosis is for the future.

The problems mentioned ranged from the quality and quantity of water to the lack of resource-use restrictions in developing nations.

Karen Gaines, a professor in the biological sciences department, said a major issue was the lack of wildlife habitats.

"We've basically removed it all," Gaines said.

Roger White, a visiting professor from Memorial University of Newfoundland in Canada, explained a system that predicts how land will be used using data from different fields such as political science, economics

and geology.

Panelists also discussed how the different disciplines of science have difficulties working together.

White mentioned that a major obstacle comes from getting data from researchers in different fields who only care about individual projects.

Those in attendance said the panel discussion was beneficial.

"It was good to kind of hear a couple of different perspectives," said senior economics major Garrison Wood.

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CAMPUS | UNIVERSITY BOARD EVENT

One comic still stands after Friday's competition

Winner will have chance to open for last UB-sponsored comedy show of semester

By Heather Holm
RHA Reporter

Matt Caponera's motivation to participate in Friday's "Last Comic Standing" event was simple.

Caponera, a sophomore communications studies major, said he was sick of "sitting and rotting in his apartment alone, drinking Keystone Light."

University Board sponsored the event, held in the 7th Street Underground.



JOHN BAILEY | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Sophomore communications studies major Tom Bickham gets a call from his father during his performance at 'Last Comic Standing' on Friday.

Caponera, first-place winner of the event, joked about topics ranging from Facebook to pedophiles.

He also made a joke about how he

tried to beat up the rest of the contestants because he wanted to be the "last comic standing," but was told that was against the rules.

The other contestants were Tom Bickham, Matthew Hagaman and Paul Teresi.

Teresi, a senior history major who finished in second place for the event, took the stage first.

He performed impersonations of Harry Caray, Jack Nicholson, Bill Clinton, Bill Cosby and Dr. Phil.

Bickham, a sophomore communications studies major who was awarded third place for the event, talked to his parents on his cell phone onstage and played an acoustic guitar while telling jokes.

Hagaman shared dialogue about having epiphanies and told the audience that he was "nobody special" but just wanted the chance to perform.

The junior elementary education major received fourth place.

Caponera received an iPod Touch, gift cards to Positively Fourth Street Records and the EIU bookstore, as well as the chance to open for the last University Board-sponsored comedy show of the semester – which will feature three professional comedians.

Danielle Buenting, a sophomore political science major, said she agreed with the judges' choice for first-place.

"I actually did think (Caponera) was the best, and I enjoyed the show a lot more than I thought I would," Buenting said.

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CAMPUS | FILM FESTIVAL

Filmmaker's work features 'fast-food feminists'

Documentary focuses on female restaurant employees

By Ashley Mefford
Senior Campus Reporter

Women fast food workers inspired Anne Lewis so much that she decided to make a documentary.

She saw many women working in fast food restaurants and wanted to know why.

"These women are not real employees," Lewis said. "They have no benefits and low wages."

She gave a presentation of the documentary "Fast Food Women,"



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Filmmaker Anne Lewis talks about her film "Fast Food Women" on Saturday in Coleman Auditorium.

and a lecture on Saturday night in the Coleman Auditorium as part of the Central Illinois Feminist Film Festival. Lewis also showed clips of her other films.

Lewis, a senior lecturer at the University of Texas at Austin, said she interviewed women who worked at these restaurants and began hearing their stories. She found that two-thirds of fast-food workers were women.

Although she made the documentary in the 1990s, Lewis said the same economic situation is going on today.

"Fast food workers are the largest low-paid workers in the country," Lewis said.

She said the majority of the people she met while making the film were middle-aged women and had been working in the fast food industry for years. Lewis looked at national franchises such as Pizza Hut, McDonalds

and Kentucky Fried Chicken. She felt she had to make the film because it is not something the media should neglect, Lewis said.

"The media should play a role in society past entertainment," Lewis said.

Lewis raised the question of feminism in regards to "Fast Food Women."

She wondered if the women in the documentary were not feminists because they did not seem to stand up to their harsh working conditions.

But by being willing to tell their stories, Lewis said they had feminist spirit.

"In a way, they were (feminists)," Lewis said. "The courage it took to

help make this film will produce change."

Lewis also showed a clip of her movie "Shelter." "Shelter" focuses on women involved with domestic violence situations.

Lewis also showed clips of her movie about Anne Braden, an influential feminist and civil rights activist. Social inequality for women can be pinpointed to one question, Lewis said.

"It's the question of a just society," Lewis said. "Class, gender, race and sexual orientation are all included in that. We need to honor those principles of leadership and inclusion."

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LOCAL | TRANSPORTATION

America's foot still heavy on the gas pedal

Rising oil prices not to improve any time soon

By Michael Schwader
City Reporter

Oil prices are reaching new heights, and local residents are outraged. Michael Suerth, a 23-year-old truck driver from Charleston, is one of these residents, and he believes that the ones being hurt the most by the price surges are the ones in the trucking business.

"I think that truck drivers should strike because we're the ones being screwed over the most, especially independent truck drivers, who have to pay for their own gas," he said.

Suerth said he believes that a strike would have a major effect on the oil industry and would likely bring down the price of gas.

"How do you think your doughnuts got to the shop this morning, and how do your everyday groceries get to the store?" he said. "And who do you think delivers the gas that you put in your tank? A trucker."

Mukti Upadhyay, a professor in the economics department, said the reasons for the increase of gas prices can be attributed to several factors, including the declining value of the dollar.

"(The Organization of Petroleum

Exporting Countries) sets the oil price in dollars and invests a huge amount of oil revenue it receives in the dollar-denominated assets, such as the U.S. treasury bills and private U.S. bonds," he said.

Upadhyay believes TOPEC is getting nervous with the U.S. and the way the government has been running its budget in terms of a sustained deficit, even when the economy was going strong. He also said he believes that the consumers of gas are also to blame for the price increase.

"Another reason for the high price of oil has to do with the fact that people do not change their behavior toward gas consumption instantly but with a significant lag," he said.

The higher gas prices today are much like the gas price situation during the middle and late 1970s and early '90s, he said.

"Their demand is rather inelastic in the short run. The oil inflation made significant contributions to a recessionary growth or an absolute decline in (gross domestic product) in the middle and late '70s and in the early '90s, whereas the oil price declines in the mid-80s and mid-90s partly supported the growth spurts of the late '80s and late 90s," Upadhyay said.

Other goods are also suffering as a result of higher oil prices.

"Goods that intensively use ener-

gy including oil will become more expensive, such as the price of corn, since an increasing proportion of corn is now used to produce ethanol," he said. "More importantly, a sustained rise in oil prices can cause a substantial slowdown in economic growth."

But Upadhyay also believes there is a way to fix the problem. He said the solution to high oil price or dependence on oil could come through both a demand reduction and a supply increase.

"I think the factors that either increase supply of oil or alternative fuels have remained weak, leaving the heavy dependence on oil even worse," he said.

"On the demand side, an increase in import or excise tax on oil would raise its price and depress demand as people switch to greater fuel efficiency of say the hybrid cars. On the supply front, I would support the development of solar and hydro power."

Upadhyay said it might not be the best solution politically, but it should give a much-needed consumption shock in the U.S. along with a modest subsidy on hybrid cars and would complement the tax measure.

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High gas prices can be blamed on the high price of crude oil, declining value of the American dollar and international conflict – and little of this will change in upcoming months.

CAMPUS | MUSIC

'Four Seasons' rise anew in Eastern's March concert

Guest musicians brighten orchestra in combined performance

By Sara Cuadrado
Campus Reporter

Students from Eastern were not the only ones treated with a performance from their professors – Eastern conductor Richard Rossi was graced by a visit from his own professor.

The Eastern Symphony Chamber Orchestra, led by conductor Richard Rossi, performed Antonia Vivaldi's "Four Seasons" at 4 p.m. Sunday in the Wesley United Methodist Church.

The symphony produced the concert with the musical aid of concertmaster Maureen Murchie, Charlotte Mattax, and Eastern's Concert Choir.



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Eastern's Concert Choir, led by conductor Richard Rossi, began 'Four Seasons' by singing Sunday afternoon.

Mattax was Rossi's professor when he attended the University of Illinois as a student. In his concert introduction, he described her as not only a wonderful musician but also a wonderful person. Mattax brought a new musical aspect to the concert with her skills as a harpsichord player.

Rossi, a harpsichord perform-

er himself, said the Department of Music will eventually have its own French double harpsichord.

The harpsichord, which will be finished by January 2009, is being built in the 18th-century French style. Mattax said she chose to play some French-style selections in honor of the harpsichord being built for

the department.

Jessica Leathers, a senior biology and chemistry major, said she attended the concert because she knows people in the orchestra and enjoys watching them perform. She said she didn't know the choir and the guest harpsichord player would be in the concert, but she was excit-

ed to hear a different performance with them.

Leathers said the orchestra has never featured a guest artist playing the harpsichord, but she was glad to hear the different sound.

She said she likes when the concerts incorporate outside groups to add a different sound to the concert.

Jenna Jungels, a freshman elementary education major, cheered on her professor, Murchie, as Murchie played the violin during a performance of "The Four Seasons."

Murchie encouraged students in her "Interacting With Music" class to go to the concert because they were studying "The Four Seasons."

Mike Boline, a sophomore geography major, said he attended the concert because he has friends in the music department.

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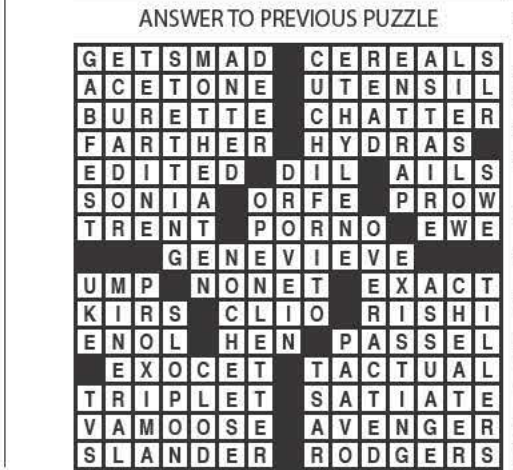
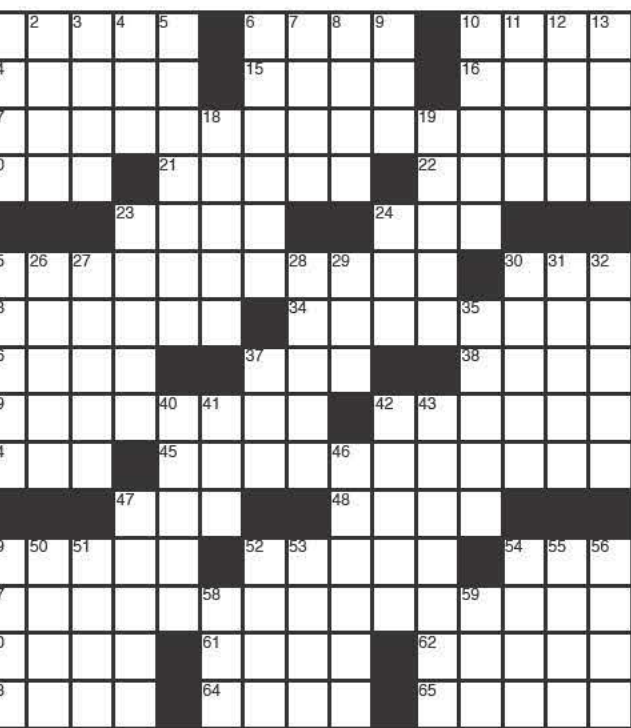
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- 1 Bounce to the surface
 - 6 Botch
 - 10 Sports equipment
 - 14 Belittle
 - 15 Least bit
 - 16 Present opener?
 - 17 Free health and dental care, and then some
 - 20 List of test answers
 - 21 Aviates
 - 22 Limerick or sonnet
 - 23 Luke's twin sister in "Star Wars"
 - 24 Price ___ pound
 - 25 Math symbol for extraction of a root
 - 30 Pilot's stat.
 - 33 Warnings
 - 34 Entree in a bowl with beef or lamb, say
 - 36 Pelvic bones
 - 37 Boat propeller
 - 38 Clark's crush on "Smallville"
 - 39 "Hey, come back a bit"
 - 42 Enter en masse
 - 44 Where pigs wallow
 - 45 In limbo
 - 47 Wood-shaping tool
 - 48 Nays' opposites
 - 49 Flair
 - 52 Peppermint ___ of "Peanuts"
 - 54 Sombrero, e.g.
 - 57 Eyeglass option for different distances
 - 60 Early state in the presidential campaign
 - 61 Reclined
 - 62 Major artery
 - 63 The Big Board: Abbr.
 - 64 Doe's mate
 - 65 Winona of "Girl, Interrupted"
- DOWN
- 1 Pitcher's faux pitch
 - 2 New York theater award
 - 3 One often needing a change
 - 4 Take advantage of
 - 5 "Couldn't be better!"
 - 6 Pertaining to a son or daughter
 - 7 Ear or leaf part
 - 8 Four Corners-area Indians
 - 9 Prohibition



- 10 Errand runner
- 11 Dubai dignitary
- 12 Six-legged scurriers
- 13 Move skyward
- 18 Fake identity
- 19 Occurrence
- 23 Bygone Italian coins
- 24 Tour grp.?
- 25 Monsoon occurrences
- 26 Apportion
- 27 God or goddess
- 28 Brainy
- 29 Suffix with bombard
- 30 Trailblazing video game maker
- 31 His tomb is in Red Square
- 32 Banjo sound
- 35 Hits hard
- 37 LummoX
- 40 Like 16 vis-à-vis 15, agewise
- 41 Turk's topper
- 42 Home viewing for a price
- 43 Subscription period, often
- 46 Loathing
- 47 Pond organisms
- 49 Pirouette
- 50 "Iliad" setting
- 51 Cries after being burned
- 52 H.S. junior's exam
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MEN'S AND WOMEN'S TENNIS | WEEKEND RECAP



FILE | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Eastern junior Natalie Martin throws her hands up at a match at Darling Courts. Martin and the Eastern women's tennis team defeated Tennessee State 5-1 on Sunday at Lantz Fieldhouse. The Eastern men's team also defeated Tennessee State 6-0. The men's tennis team also defeated Eastern Kentucky 5-2 on Friday. The Eastern Kentucky women's tennis team defeated Eastern Illinois, 5-2. Martin went 2-0 at No. 2 singles this past weekend.

Panthers sweep Tennessee State at home

Coaches decided fate of doubles matches

By JC Clark
Staff Reporter

The Eastern men's and women's tennis teams still couldn't use Darling Courts on Sunday.

Because weather has damaged the courts, Eastern's matches against Tennessee State were relegated to Lantz Fieldhouse.

But the Panthers used it to their advantage as both the men's and women's teams defeated TSU.

The Eastern men's team won 6-0. Because the match was played indoors, both coaches decided prior to the match to play singles competitions first and would forego doubles play if the match's outcome had

already been decided.

Eastern won all six singles matches, so doubles was not played.

Some of the men's players had discussed the Tigers' poor start to the season before the match, but junior Vuk Milicevic said it did not cause the team to take its opponent lightly.

"It doesn't matter if you're playing the best or the worst team in the nation," Milicevic said. "You've still got to get the job done."

The men's team (10-6, 4-1 Ohio Valley Conference) has begun to gather momentum in the conference, having won its last three matches. Sunday's match marked the midway point for Eastern in OVC play.

The Panthers won Friday 5-2 against Eastern Kentucky in Richmond, Ky.

Milicevic said he feels good about how the team is playing in the OVC.

"I think it's a fantastic start to the season," Milicevic said.

In the women's match, TSU scored its first point of the season via a forfeit in No. 6 singles.

Eastern coach John Blackburn rested some of his players and elected to forfeit the final singles match. After singles, the match had been decided 5-1 in Eastern's favor, so doubles was not played.

The women's win came after the squad's second-worst loss of the season, when they fell to Eastern Kentucky 6-1 on Friday.

The women's tennis team (10-4, 3-2 OVC) began the season with five straight victories, but since the winning streak ended, it has won five of its last nine matches.

Senior Sandra Sasidharan said the women's team has been playing against better competition lately.

Sasidharan said she feels the team members' efforts cannot be questioned, and they now have a better idea of what they need to do to achieve success.

"It's definitely giving us a clearer picture of how hard we need to keep working to improve," Sasidharan said. "I think we're going in the right direction."

While the men's and women's tennis teams have still not had the opportunity to play at Darling Courts, Eastern will play its first outdoor home match at 3 p.m. on Wednesday against Chicago State — weather permitting.

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NCAA MEN'S BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT |

ROUNDUP

Kansas stops Curry, Davidson

The Associated Press

DETROIT — And then there were ones.

Four No. 1s, that is.

Kansas prevented Stephen Curry from taking the last shot and withstood Davidson's long-range miss at the buzzer, holding on for a 59-57 victory Sunday that put all four No. 1 seeds into the Final Four for the first time.

After Kansas' Sherron Collins missed with 19 seconds left, the 10th-seeded Wildcats (29-7) got one last chance.

Curry was double-teamed, could not get off a shot and was forced to pass to Jason Richards, whose 25-footer from the top of the key thudded off the backboard.

Kansas moved on to play overall No. 1 seed North Carolina on Saturday, and UCLA and Memphis will round out the party at the Alamodome.

Curry finished with 25 on 9-of-25 shooting and was picked Most Outstanding Player of the Midwest Regional.

Sasha Kaun and Mario Chalmers led the Jayhawks (35-3) with 13 each.

SOUTH REGIONAL Memphis 85, Texas 67

HOUSTON — John Calipari has a good reason for calling his Memphis Tigers a "Dream Team" — a kid from Chicago who wears No. 23 and makes plays that bring fans out of their seats.

With freshman Derrick Rose soaring and scoring, Memphis ended two years of regional final failure and routed to reach the Final Four.

The victory in Houston sent the Tigers to the Final Four for the first time since 1985.

Rose had 21 points, nine assists and six rebounds, outplaying Texas star D.J. Augustin and leading the Tigers (37-1) into a national semifinal Saturday against a UCLA team making its third straight Final Four appearance.

Rose was voted the most outstanding player of the South Regional.

Chris Douglas-Roberts led Memphis with 25 points against Texas (31-7). Dorsey provided 11 points and 12 rebounds.

» Shine

FROM PAGE 10

Freshman pole-vaulter Joe Noonan picked up where he left off in the indoor season as he won the pole vault with a mark of 15'1.00".

Sophomore Kandace Arnold also continued her winning ways, as she won two events after win-

ning the Ohio Valley Conference shot put championship earlier this month.

Arnold won the discus with a throw of 137'1" and the shot put with a throw of 44'2.75".

Arnold's discus throw was a personal best and placed her 10th all-time in Eastern history.

Despite winning two events, Arnold was not happy with her

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performance.

"137 for me today was not good," Arnold said. "I wasn't happy about it. We really didn't feel ready. We were warming up, and I



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BASEBALL | WEEKEND RECAP

Eastern’s bats falter against Tennessee Tech

Panthers score five runs in three games, falls in conference standings

By Scott Richey
Sports Editor

Eastern gave up six hits to Tennessee Tech on Sunday in Cookeville, Tenn., but it was a first-inning error by Eastern freshman third baseman Sean Estand that gave the Golden Eagles the only run they would need to beat Eastern 1-0 at Bush Stadium at AEBC.

TTU senior shortstop Thomas Nelson led off the bottom of the first with a single through the left side of the infield off Eastern starting pitcher Tyler Kehrer (0-4).

Nelson stole second and then third before scoring on Estand’s error.

The Golden Eagles accumulated only five more hits in the game, but Eastern’s bats were cold as the Panthers had three hits in the game.

Eastern sophomore left fielder Curt Restko had two hits in the game with a double in the fourth inning and a single in the sixth, and junior center fielder Brett Nommensen had the other hit with a single in the first inning.

“I usually had two strikes on me, so I had to change my approach to my two-strike approach,” Restko said. “When you do that, good things happen. I got a few hits that way.”

Eastern head coach Jim Schmitz said TTU pitched well.

“They know how to throw fastballs away,” he said.

Schmitz said if a player can’t hit fastballs away they wouldn’t be suc-

JIM SCHMITZ | EASTERN HEAD COACH ON WEEKEND’S RESULTS

“We just totally, totally messed up a big weekend. (Tennessee Tech is) not a top six (conference) team.”

cessful. He said the Panthers (9-13, 3-3 OVC) continued to try and pull too many pitches instead of hitting away against the Golden Eagles (19-7-1, 4-2).

“I think our hitting on Thursday was the best I’ve seen,” Schmitz said about the Panthers’ last practice. “We just totally, totally messed up a big weekend. (Tennessee Tech is) not a top six (conference) team. To give up two runs in two games and not come away with a win is disheartening.”

SATURDAY’S SECOND GAME
TTU 1, Eastern 0 (8 innings)

Eastern freshman pitcher Josh Mueller pitched seven strong innings in the second game of Saturday’s doubleheader, but TTU escaped with what would be its first 1-0 win of the weekend series in extra innings.

Mueller struck out 10 batters and gave up just two hits, one walk and the lone Golden Eagles’ run.

TTU sophomore catcher Brandon Crossman led off the bottom of the eighth with a walk, and Mueller was replaced by Eastern sophomore closer Scott Foley. Freshman Chad Oberacker pinch ran for Crossman and scored three batters later on a single to right field by Nelson.

“I can’t say enough about (Mueller),” Schmitz said. “That’s what keeps me going. Josh was sensational.”

Schmitz said Mueller was blowing his fastball by TTU batters, and when the Golden Eagles tried to key on his fastball Mueller, would throw a slider to keep them off-balance.

“He was definitely getting ahead of the batters,” Restko said. “He was very confident this time around, throwing his breaking balls.”

SATURDAY’S FIRST GAME
TTU 8, Eastern 3

The Golden Eagles won the first game of Saturday’s doubleheader against Eastern with a 13-hit, eight-run performance.

The Panthers had 12 hits in the game, including perfect plate appearances by Nommensen (4-of-4) and junior right fielder Ryan Lindquist (3-of-3), but Eastern stranded 12 runners on base.

“We absolutely had no timely hitting,” Restko said. “No one came up with the big hit.”

TTU scored four runs in the bottom of the third inning to retake the lead it had after the first inning.

The Panthers scored two more runs in the top of the fifth to draw within one run, but TTU scored three runs in the next two innings to solidify the win.

Schmitz said the first game was bad, and senior pitcher Tristan Facer struggled on the mound.

Facer pitched 2 2/3 innings and gave up seven hits and five runs

Sunday’s Game

Tennessee Tech 1, Eastern 0

Inning by Inning		R	H	E
EIU (9-13)	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	0	3	2
TTU (19-7-1)	1 0 0 0 0 0 0 x	1	6	1

WP: Dobbs, J. (3-2) LP: Kehrer, T. (0-4)

E: Kreke, J. (1-0); Estand, S. (5) –EIU: Reilly, S. (3) –TTU LOB: EIU 5; TTU 6. DP: EIU 1; TTU 1. 2B: Restko, C. (6) –EIU: Henry, A. (3) –TTU HBP: Kreke. –EIU. SB: Nelson, T. 2(10); –TTU.

Key Inning: Bottom of the first
Tennessee Tech scored the lone run of the day on an error by Eastern freshman third baseman Sean Estand.

Saturday’s Second Game

Tennessee Tech 1, Eastern 0

Inning by Inning		R	H	E
EIU (9-12)	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	0	2	0
TTU (18-7-1)	0 0 0 0 0 0 1	1	4	0

WP: Alcorn, M. (3-1) LP: Mueller, J. (3-2)

LOB: EIU 2; TTU 5. DP: TTU 1. HBP: McMillan, T. –TTU.

Key Inning: Bottom of the eighth
Tennessee Tech scored the lone run of the day when senior shortstop Thomas Nelson drove in freshman pinch runner Chad Oberacker.

Saturday’s First Game

Tennessee Tech 8, Eastern 3

Inning by Inning		R	H	E
EIU (9-11)	0 1 0 0 2 0 0 0	3	12	2
TTU (17-7-1)	1 0 4 0 0 2 1 0 x	8	13	1

WP: Edwards, J. (3-1) LP: Facer, T. (2-1)

E: Kreke, J. (9); Estand, S. (4) –EIU: Edwards. (2) –TTU LOB: EIU 12; TTU 13. DP: TTU 1. 2B: Restko, C. (5); Nommensen, B. (6); Lindquist, R. 2(3) –EIU: Henry, A. (3) –TTU HBP: Nommensen. –EIU; Nelson, T.; Kirby-Jones, A. –TTU SB: Tokarz, J. (2); Lindquist (3); –EIU. King, C. (8) CS: Nommensen (3).

Key Inning: Bottom of the third
Tennessee Tech scored four runs on four hits and one error to take a 5-1 lead it would never relinquish.

(three earned).

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» Thrilling

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Jacoby forced sophomore center fielder Megan Williams to pop out to Eastern senior right fielder Robyn Mackie to end the game.

But that wasn’t the only time Mackie saved the game for the Panthers. In the bottom of the ninth, Mackie threw out sophomore catcher Laura Lindow, who was trying to advance to home on a hit by sophomore second baseman Laura Roberts.

Jacoby pitched eight innings of relief and gave up eight hits, three runs and four walks. Jacoby (2-4) struck out two but picked up her first victory since March 2.

Jacoby said she was able to change the speed of her curveball to keep the Skyhawks (15-16, 3-4) off-balance.

Mackie and Jackson led the Panthers with two hits. Jackson extended her seven-game hitting streak with an RBI triple to right field in the top of the second inning.

The Panthers return to action against Indiana-Purdue-Indianapolis with a doubleheader set to begin at 4 p.m. today at Williams Field.

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Saturday’s Game

Eastern 5, UT-Martin 4 (10 Inn.)

Inning by Inning		R	H	E
EIU (10-13)	2 2 0 0 0 0 0 0 1	5	6	2
UTM (15-16)	1 0 0 1 0 2 0 0 0	4	12	4

WP: Jacoby, K. (2-4) LP: Harper, K. (5-6)

E: Militello, S. 2(2) –EIU: Long, G. (3); Roberts, L. 0 –UTM LOB: EIU 8; UTM 15. DP: UTM 1 2B: Mackie, R. (3); Menziona, D. (3) –EIU SB: Jackson, M. –EIU HR: Van Arsdale, M. –UTM HBP: Bollman, B. –UTM. SB: Nolte, A. 2(2) –EIU. SF: Benbow, A. –UTM. SB: Nelson, M. (15) –EIU. CS: Nelson 2(5); Menziona (2) –EIU.

Key Inning: Top of the 10th
Eastern junior second baseman Sarah Coppert scored on a throwing error to give Eastern a one-run advantage it held in the bottom of the inning en route to its 5-4 win.

» Richey

FROM PAGE 12

Running backs fumbled, receivers dropped balls, quarterbacks threw errant passes and defensive backs missed coverage – all things expected early in spring ball.

No one is 100 percent sharp.

What is clear, however, is the passion the players had on the field. That passion has come from waiting nearly four months to get back on the field.

“After getting this winter over with, it can’t happen soon enough,” said red-shirt sophomore quarterback Bodie Reeder of the start of spring practice. “We have a bad taste in our mouth after losing to South-

ern (Illinois).”

Eastern head coach Bob Spoo said he thought the Panthers were playing hard.

“I think they know what’s at stake, and I’m really pleased with their efforts,” Spoo said. “I want to see them keep the same kind of tempo and the same kind of attitude.”

The Panthers played with fire on an early Sunday morning with a cold wind whipping through O’Brien Stadium, making it feel more like a late-season November practice than the beginning of practice in late March.

Eastern running backs coach Justin Lustig told red-shirt freshman running back Chevon Walker to slow down because Walker was running at such a high level.

Walker could be an interesting

intangible in the Panthers’ backfield.

The Florida transfer is compact at 5-foot-10 and 193 pounds and hits the offensive line with legs churning and eyes upfield looking for a hole in the defense.

It’s what he does once he finds that hole that’s impressive. His break-away speed puts him steps ahead of would-be tacklers.

Walker will be the lightning to junior running back Norris Smith’s thunder.

Smith, who missed all of last season with a knee injury, is a bruising back who hits the offensive line looking for contact before breaking through the line with good top-end speed.

But it wasn’t just the running backs practicing all-out.

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TRIPLE THREAT



Christian Laettner

Christian Laettner (above) was not named the 1992 Most Valuable Player during Duke's run to the national title. But Laettner played a perfect game in the Eastern Regional final against Kentucky. He was 10-of-10 from the field, 10-of-10 from the free-throw line and made a last-second jumper to give Duke a 104-103 overtime win.

Here are three other top individual performances in NCAA Tournament history.

1. Austin Carr — Carr set several NCAA records as he led Notre Dame to wins against Ohio and Kentucky in the 1970 tournament before the Fighting Irish lost to Iowa in the Sweet 16. Carr averaged a tourney history high of 52.7 points in the three games, including a 61-point performance in the first round against Ohio.

2. Wally Szczerbiak — Szczerbiak led No. 10 seed Miami (Ohio) to the Sweet 16 in 1999 with upsets against No. 7 Washington and No. 2 Utah. Szczerbiak scored a career-high 43 points against the Huskies in round one and followed that with 24 to knock out the Utes. The Redhawks lost in the Sweet 16 to Kentucky despite another 23 points from Szczerbiak.

3. Stephen Curry — The sophomore guard from Davidson is the diaper dandy of the 2008 NCAA Tournament. Curry scored 30, 40, 33 and 25 points respectively in four games to lead the Wildcats into the Elite Eight.

-Scott Richey



SCOTT RICHEY

Back to the field

Eastern's first football game of the 2008 season is 151 days away.

The Panthers will travel to Mt. Pleasant, Mich., to play Central Michigan on Aug. 28.

But the Panthers were on the field at O'Brien Stadium last week with the start of spring football practice.

Eastern has 12 practices — four of which are scrimmages — to work out any kinks before the start of summer.

If Sunday's practice was any indicator of the year to be, the outcome of the 2008 season is still unclear.

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SOFTBALL | EASTERN 5, TENNESSEE-MARTIN 4 (10 INNINGS)

A THRILLING FINISH

Team wins third conference game in extra innings

By Kevin Murphy
Associate Sports Editor

It was another close game for the Eastern women's softball team on Saturday afternoon.

The Panthers won 5-4 against Tennessee-Martin in 10 innings.

Sunday's doubleheader in Martin, Tenn., was canceled because of continuous rain.

In the top of the 10th inning, Eastern junior second baseman Sarah Coppert scored the game-winning run on a throwing error.

Skyhawk shortstop junior Greer Long hurried her throw to first in an attempt to get Eastern senior Ashley Robinson out but sent the throw into the dugout, which allowed Coppert to score.

"It was a crazy, crazy game," said Eastern head coach Kim Schuette. "It was a long game already. It wasn't pretty."

Saturday's game was delayed three-and-a-half-hours because of rain in Martin.

The Panthers (10-13, 5-3 OVC) have won three OVC games in extra innings this season and four league games by one run. They lost only one OVC game by one run this season.

"There's nothing that we can't do when we're together," said freshman first baseman Melinda Jackson. "Our team chemistry is here this season. I can't explain it."



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Eastern senior pitcher Karyn Mackie pitches against Southern Illinois on Thursday at Williams Field. The Panthers would win 5-4 in 10 innings on Saturday against Tennessee-Martin in Martin, Tenn.

Eastern junior pitcher Kathleen Jacoby pitched out of a final jam in the bottom of the 10th inning.

"That's just the game of softball," Jacoby said. "It can be a little nerve-wrecking. We strive in tough situations."

With the international tiebreaker in effect, freshman right fielder Blayn Bolman was placed on second to start the inning. Jacoby then got the next two Tennessee-Martin batters out with pop flies.

Sophomore left fielder Ashley

Benbow was intentionally walked for the second time in the game, and freshman designated player Chelsea Cary singled to left field to load the bases.

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MEN'S AND WOMEN'S TRACK AND FIELD | EIU INVITATIONAL RECAP

Panthers shine in first outdoor meet

Sprinters win multiple events; teams win 13 individual events

By Dan Cusack
Sports Reporter

The Eastern men's and women's track teams competed in the first outdoor meet of the season Saturday at O'Brien Stadium during a chilly, windy afternoon.

Thirteen Eastern athletes had first-place finishes in the meet, in which athletes from Indiana State and Western Illinois competed.

The Eastern men's team defeated Western Illinois, but lost to Indiana State. The Eastern women's team defeated Western Illinois, but lost to Indiana State.

Eastern dominated the sprinting events as junior sprinter Violet Nwordu and senior sprinter Brenton Emanuel each won two.

Nwordu won the 100-meter dash in 12.51 seconds and the 200-meter dash in 25.31 seconds.

Nwordu said she did not expect to do so well.

"With this type of weather, I'm from Texas, so it doesn't work very well for me," Nwordu said. "It's our first outdoor meet, and I'm so used to warm, nice weather."

The wind and weather slowed her



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Eastern junior middle distance Katie O'Brien, third from the left, runs on the track on Saturday at O'Brien Stadium. O'Brien finished in fourth in the 5,000-meter run. The men's and women's track teams defeated Western and lost to Indiana State in the dual-meet format.

down, she said.

"Especially during the 200-meter dash, the wind affected me," Nwordu said. "The wind hit me somewhere during the middle. I run my best when I don't have a strate-

gy, when I'm just like whatever happens, happens."

Emanuel won the 100-meter dash in 10.77 seconds and the 200-meter dash in 21.63 seconds.

"I wasn't expecting (those times).

It was the first meet of the year," Emanuel said. "I was just going out to have fun and just run. I just wanted to get out of the box as fast as I could and roll them up."

In addition to Emanuel and Nwordu, 11 other athletes won events.

Junior jumper Nicole Walcott was tops in the high jump with a mark of 5 feet, 2.25 inches, while sophomore thrower Jaimee Phegley won the javelin with a throw of 108'05".

Junior hurdler Chandra Golden won the 400-meter hurdlers in 1:04.41 in one of the day's most competitive races. Indiana State junior hurdler Cori Carr led the entire race until Golden and junior hurdler Samantha Manto caught up on the backstretch. The three runners were tied coming out of the final hurdle, and Golden won the footrace to edge out Manto by two-tenths of a second.

For the men, sophomore middle-distance runner Wes Sheldon won the 800-meter run in 1:53.13. Senior jumper Obe Eruteya had a solid day, winning the high jump (6' 7.75") and placing second in the long jump and the triple jump. Senior jumper Mike Embry edged out Eruteya in the long jump, as Embry won with a mark of 21'05.25".

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EASTERN SPORTS SCHEDULE

MEN'S GOLF
Today at Missouri State Invite |
All Day — Springfield, Mo.

WOMEN'S GOLF
Today at SIU Invite |
All Day — Carterville

SOFTBALL
Today vs. Indiana-Purdue-Indianapolis |
4 p.m. — Williams Field

MEN'S GOLF
Tuesday at Missouri State Invite |
All Day — Springfield, Mo.

BASEBALL
Wednesday vs. Chicago State |
3 p.m. — Coaches Stadium